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PUC TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING IN L.A. ADDRESSING LOW INCOME BUDGETS OF UTILITIES

SAN FRANCISCO, September 7, 2005 - The California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) is holding a Public Participation Hearing (PPH) in Los Angeles regarding applications for approval of low income programs and budgets for 2006-2007 for Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison, Southern California Gas Company, and San Diego Gas & Electric Company. The PPH will be run jointly with a meeting of the Low Income Oversight Board (LIOB).

WHEN: Thursday, Sept. 15, 2005
LIOB meeting begins at 10 a.m.
PPH runs from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

WHERE: PUC Courtroom
State Office Building
320 West 4th St., Suite 500
Los Angeles

Those unable to attend in person can access the meeting through a listen-only call-in number: 1-866-675-0748, passcode 554377#.

This PPH is scheduled to provide the public an opportunity to comment on the proposals of the utilities for the implementation and funding of two major low income programs for the years 2006 and 2007. One is the California Alternative Rates for Energy (CARE) program, through which qualifying low income customers can receive gas and electric service at reduced rates. The other is the Low Income Energy Efficiency program, through which qualifying customers can receive free weatherization in existing dwellings and the replacement of older appliances with more energy efficient models. Comments from the public can help the Commission reach an informed decision and members of the public are encouraged to attend the PPH.

If special arrangements are needed, such as sign and foreign language interpreters, please contact the PUC Public Advisor's Office at 1-866-849-8391 or 213-576-7055 or TTY 1-866-836-7825, or by e-mail at public.advisor.la@cpuc.ca.gov at least three days prior to the event.

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